

America's first emergency system that used 9-1-1 was in Haleyville, Alabama, and the country's first 9-1-1 call was made there on **February 16, 1968**.

Today with enhanced technology E-9-1-1 emergency response has improved a great deal. Every structure in the County must have an E-9-1-1 physical address so that when 9-1-1 is called the correct information will be given to the dispatcher to locate you on the Digital Map located in the Emergency Communications Center. The E-9-1-1 Address will assist the Dispatcher to have the appropriate emergency agencies to respond.

If you have a Cellular Telephone, your location will show your GPS Coordinates (after a brief interval it will locate you). Your location will be on the Digital Map in Dispatch for quicker response. Please check with your Cellular Carrier to make sure that your Cell Phone has a GPS Chip located in it and that it is activated for this purpose.

Lamar County E-9-1-1's Addressing role in this system is to see that every structure in the county has an E-9-1-1 address for the Emergency Responder's to locate you within a timely manner. If you do not know your address, please contact this Office and we will assist you in obtaining it.

Obtaining a Flood Permit We are the First step in order to obtain a Flood Permit, which is issued by the [Lamar County Planning Department](#) . For their Regulations, please see their Web Page.

Please Be Aware of the Following Laws

[MS Code 19-5-319](#)

The Addresses are NOT Public Record.

[MS Code 19-5-369](#)

Each person who owns or rents a residence, building, or structure shall obtain a 9-1-1 Address. Per Lamar County Ordinance

You must post your Address number at the end of your driveway and on your structure in **three (3) inch reflective numbers**

. Also, if you have a private road you must have a Blue Sign with White Reflective Lettering. This is for your safety for the Emergency Services to locate you or your loved ones during an Emergency

For More Information Contact

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E-9-1-1 Addressing

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